IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA BUTTE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

CR-24-18-BU-DLC

vs.

TONY OVIEDO ZELAYA,

Defendant.

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING PLEA

The Defendant, by consent, has appeared before the undersigned pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11 and has entered a plea of guilty to the offense of illegal reentry in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a) and (b)(1), as set forth in the sole count of the Indictment. After examining the Defendant under oath, I have made the following determinations:

- 1. That the Defendant is fully competent and capable of entering an informed and voluntary plea,
- 2. That the Defendant is aware of the nature of the charge against him and consequences of pleading guilty to the charge,
- 3. That the Defendant fully understands his constitutional rights, and the extent to which he is waiving those rights by pleading guilty, and

4. That the plea of guilty is a knowing and voluntary plea, supported by an independent basis in fact sufficient to prove each of the essential elements of the offense charged.

Therefore, I recommend that the Defendant be adjudged guilty of the offense of illegal reentry in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a) and (b)(1), as set forth in the Indictment, and that sentence be imposed. A presentence report has been ordered.

This report is forwarded with the recommendation that the Court defer

a decision regarding acceptance until the Court has reviewed the presentence

report.

DATED this 29th day of August, 2024.

Kathleen L. DeSoto

United States Magistrate Judge